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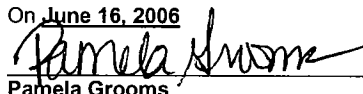
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**RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

The present Response is filed in regard to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 25, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

In response to the restriction election, Applicants elect Group IX, containing claims 1, 24 and 36, drawn to a composition comprising first and second oligomers wherein the oligomer that is part of a multiple oligomer assembly is part of a dendritic nucleic acid multimer.

**Conclusion**

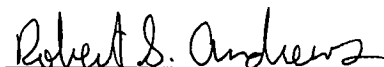
Applicants submit that this response is complete and complies with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §121. Accordingly, an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

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